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Viewing cable 06GUATEMALA84, GUATEMALAN JANUARY 23-24 MEETINGS WITH INL, WHA, DEA, NSC, TREASURY, AND ONDCP

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06GUATEMALA84	2006-01-18 17:34	2011-08-30 01:44	CONFIDENTIAL	Embassy Guatemala

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SUBJECT: GUATEMALAN JANUARY 23-24 MEETINGS WITH INL, WHA, DEA, NSC, TREASURY, AND ONDCP

REF: (A) GUATEMALA 0014 (B) 05 GUATEMALA 2821

Classified By: Ambassador Derham for reasons 1.4 (b) & (d).

- [1](#). (SBU) Summary and introduction: Guatemalan Interior Minister Carlos Vielmann and Presidential Secretary Alfredo Vila will be visiting Wash
- [2](#). (SBU) Vielmann and Vila are scheduled to visit Washington January 23-24 for meetings with INL A/S Patterson, WHA A/S Shannon, NSC Senior Di
- [3](#). (SBU) The GOG assessment begins with an overview of Guatemala's geographical position, straddling the major land, maritime and air routes f
- [4](#). (C) While reviewing their list of organized crime families in Guatemala, Vila and Vielmann said they were wrapping up an internal investi
- [4](#). (SBU) As evidence of the GOG's commitment to combat narco-trafficking, Vielmann said he intends to cite to Washington interlocutors the fol
 - legislation (civil intelligence bill signed into law, organized crime bill pending in Congress);
 - recent extension of Mayan Jaguar operations;
 - the arrest in the U.S. of three top officers of the narcotics police (SAIA);
 - eradication (15 million poppy plants, 0.7 million marijuana plants);
 - seizures (almost \$2m in seized assets, over \$0.5m in confiscated cash);
 - 6,265 arrests for narco-trafficking (no time period specified);
 - cooperation with Colombia and Mexico;
 - joint patrols with El Salvador;
 - restructuring of the narcotics police (SAIA);
 - purge of corrupt police (PNC);
 - suspension of visas for PRC nationals;
 - seizure of precursor chemicals (pseudoephedrine).
- [5](#). (SBU) Vielmann said he was greatly impressed by how quickly Colombia was able to respond to extradition requests. He acknowledged that it t
- [6](#). (U) Embassy has e-mailed to WHA/CEN the Power Point presentation that Vielmann and Vila have prepared for their Washington meetings.
- [7](#). (SBU) Comment: GOG counter-narcotics efforts continue to be thwarted by a combination of corruption, incompetence and intimidation at the DERHAM